

care. I went to medical school to serve people. I think you did the same thing, Dr. ROE. But under current Federal law, if I were a physician that was a preferred provider in the Medicare system, and I had a young man, young woman who came into my office, was working, trying to make ends meet, had a health care problem, and they just could not afford to pay my bill, literally under the laws of this country today if I told them, "Don't worry about it. Don't worry about it. I will treat you for free," as I've done to literally thousands of patients, given away hundreds of thousands of dollars of my services over my career practicing medicine. If I did that to one patient in the Medicare system, if they knew about it, they could fine me for every single Medicare claim I ever made, ask for all that money back, and can put me in jail for seeing a patient for free. That's insane. It's absolutely stupid. If we change how government insurance is provided and get the Medicare, Medicaid, State Children's Health Insurance Program, all the government insurers so that the patients own the policy and the insurance is what it's supposed to be, to help those people manage their finances, to help them manage their expenses for their health care that they purchase, that they go see the doctor, go to the hospital, if we could give them the ownership and give them their rights to make those decisions, then doctors could see patients for free, if they needed to be. Doctors could make those decisions; patients could make those decisions; and that's what we want to do on our side. But those philosophies are never, ever going to come to this floor because the leadership won't allow it to happen. We can literally lower—and I think by at least a third to half of what the costs are today for medicines, health insurance, hospital bills, doctors' bills, oxygen, wheelchairs, all those things—we can lower the cost of those things if the Republicans' proposals could ever see the light of day and be passed into law.

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I yield to the gentleman from Louisiana.

Mr. FLEMING. Madam Speaker, I think one of the things that Dr. BROWN brings out so eloquently is that it is a true privilege to do what we have done, to practice medicine and try to heal the sick and take care of those folks. That is what we want to do, to be able to continue to provide those services where patients and doctors make those decisions, not the government.

I yield back.

Mr. BROWN of Georgia. I thank the gentleman for yielding. We have just a moment or two.

Madam Speaker, if I can speak to the American public today, what I would say to the American people is that starting next week the majority is going to force this health insurance reform down the throats of the American

people. It is going to adversely affect every single American. The American people should stand up and say No, we want transparency.

Madam Speaker, if I could speak to every individual across this country, I would tell the American people to get on the phone, e-mail, fax, or visit your Congressman, your U.S. Senator, and say, Let's slow this process down. Let's get it right. Let's don't hasten in this process of trying to force something down the throats of the American people in the blackness of night where people can't see what's going on. Let us see, as Americans, what you are proposing, so we can look at the bill, so we can evaluate the bill, and so that everybody's voice across this country can be heard.

The former U.S. Senator Everett Dirksen once said that when he feels the heat, he sees the light.

The American people, Madam Speaker, need to put the heat on every single Member of Congress in the U.S. House and the U.S. Senate by calling, writing, faxing, e-mailing and visiting their offices and say "no" to this process of not allowing people to read the bill.

The American people need to demand that this health care policy be looked at and be available for the American people to evaluate and not be forced down their throats like it is being done today.

Not only that, Madam Speaker, I invite the American people to call their family and friends and ask them to do the same thing. We have to light a grass fire of grassroots support all across this country to slow this process down. Demand transparency. Demand fairness. Demand openness. We are not getting that today, Madam Speaker. We have to demand it. The only way that is going to happen is if the American people will stand up and say "no" and tell their Member of Congress, particularly here in this House, between now and next Wednesday, they need to tell their Congressman to stop this process, allow fairness and allow transparency.

Let's have reform that makes sense. Republicans want that. Democrats want to have reform. But we don't need to do something that is going to break the system, destroy the quality of health care and be extremely expensive for everybody. We need to say "no."

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SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced her signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 614. An Act to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the Women Airforce Service Pilots ("WASP").

S. 615. An Act to provide additional personnel authorities for the special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction. Re-

ferred to homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. POLIS) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. POLIS, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. BURTON of Indiana) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, July 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17.

Mr. REICHERT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. JONES, for 5 minutes, July 17.

Mr. POE of Texas, for 5 minutes, July 17.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1107. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for a limited 6-month period for Federal judges to opt into the Judicial Survivors' Annuities System and begin contributing toward an annuity for their spouse and dependent children upon their death, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 1289. An act to improve title 18 of the United States Code; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BROWN of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 3 o'clock and 48 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, July 13, 2009, at 12:30 p.m., for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2574. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Chlorantraniliprole; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0770; FRL-8413-6] received June 26, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2575. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Triallate; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0386; FRL-8421-2] received June 22, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2576. A letter from the Secretary of the Navy, Department of Defense, transmitting

notification of both an Average Procurement Unit Cost (APUC) and a Program Acquisition Unit Cost (PAUC) breach for the enclosed program, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2433(e)(1); to the Committee on Armed Services.

2577. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations [Docket ID: FEMA-2008-0020] received June 22, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

2578. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — Striving Readers — received June 25, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

2579. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — New York: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision [EPA-R02-RCRA-2009-0346; FRL-8916-7] received June 26, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2580. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; Oxides of Nitrogen Regulations, Phase II [EPA-R05-OAR-2007-1131; FRL-8921-5] received June 22, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2581. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Tennessee; Approval of Revisions to the Knox County Portion [EPA-R04-OAR-2008-0676-200820 (a); FRL-8903-6] received June 22, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2582. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Allocation of Essential Use Allowances for Calendar Year 2009 [EPA-HQ-OAR-2008-0503; FRL-8922-7] received June 22, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2583. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Regulations of Fuels and Fuel Additives: Modifications to Renewable Fuel Standard Program Requirements [EPA-HQ-OAR-2005-0161; FRL-8922-6] received June 22, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2584. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 09-31, pursuant to section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, Transmittal No. 09-31; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2585. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting Transmittal No. 09-26, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2586. A letter from the Federal Co-Chairman, Delta Regional Authority, transmitting in compliance with the Accountability for Tax Dollars Act of 2002 (ATDA), a copy of the Authority's Audited Financial Statements for FY 2008; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2587. A letter from the President, Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati, transmitting

the 2008 management report and statements on system of internal controls of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2588. A letter from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, United States Agency for International Development, transmitting the Agency's report on the amount of acquisitions made from entities that manufacture the articles, materials, or supplies outside the United States in Fiscal Year 2008; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2589. A letter from the Chief Financial Officer, Library of Congress, transmitting activities of the United States Capitol Preservation Fund for the six-month period which ended on March 31, 2009, pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 188a-3; to the Committee on House Administration.

2590. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Required Fees for Mining Claims or Sites [LLW03200000-L1999000.PP0000] (RIN: 1004-AE09) received June 24, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2591. A letter from the Administrator, Office of Policy Development and Research, ETA, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Temporary Employment of H-2A Aliens in the United States (RIN: 1205-AB55) received June 19, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2592. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting report on the Secretary of State's decision to designate an entity and its aliases as a "foreign terrorist organization", pursuant to Section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), as amended (8 U.S.C. 1189); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2593. A letter from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment — received June 22, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2594. A letter from the Deputy, Regulations and Security Standards, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — False Statements Regarding Security Background Checks [Docket No.: TSA-2008-0011] (RIN: 1625-AA65) received June 23, 2009, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Homeland Security.

2595. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's report to Congress concerning the Mixed Oxide (MOX) Fuel Fabrication Facility being constructed at the Department's Savannah River Site near Aiken, South Carolina, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 4306(A)(3); jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Energy and Commerce.

2596. A letter from the General Counsel, Office of Compliance, transmitting the Office's biennial report entitled "Report on Occupational Safety and Health Act Inspections" conducted during the 110th Congress and pursuant to the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995; jointly to the Committees on Education and Labor and House Administration.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk

for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 860. A bill to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 111-196). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 129. A bill to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California; with an amendment (Rept. 111-197). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 1442. A bill to provide for the sale of the Federal Government's reversionary interest in approximately 60 acres of land in Salt Lake City, Utah, originally conveyed to the Mount Olivet Cemetery Association under the Act of January 23, 1909; with an amendment (Rept. 111-198). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 409. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain Bureau of Land Management land in the State of Nevada to the Las Vegas Motor Speedway, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 111-199). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 509. A bill to reauthorize the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004; with an amendment (Rept. 111-200). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2188. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to conduct a Joint Venture Program to protect, restore, enhance, and manage migratory bird populations, their habitats, and the ecosystems they rely on, through voluntary actions on public and private lands, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 111-201). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SERRANO: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 3170. A bill making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes (Rept. 111-202). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. CHAFFETZ (for himself and Mr. LYNCH):

H.R. 3167. A bill to allow mail carriers to serve in temporary enumerator positions in connection with the 2010 decennial census; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER (for himself, Mr. WALDEN, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. POLIS, Mr. ISSA, and Mr. MATHESON):

H.R. 3168. A bill to provide for duty-free treatment of certain recreational performance outerwear, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Science and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SCALISE:

H.R. 3169. A bill to require the Secretary of the Army to carry out a study to determine